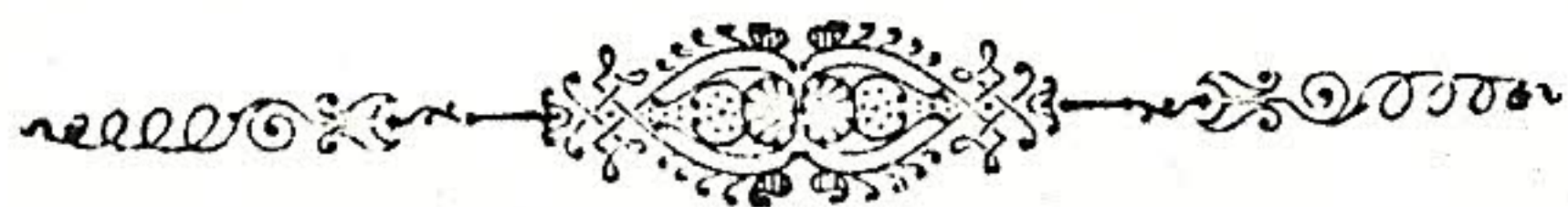


12, 1880, at the age of 27. Patty A. is the wife of L. F. Stiles, their home being in Lee County, where five children gather 'round their board. Their olive-branches are Minnie V., Kittie I., Clifford W., Edith B. and May. Mr. Cady's younger children have not yet left the parental hearthstone.

Mr. Cady is a pioneer in the full sense of the term, having been the second white man who settled in the wilderness now known as Lapeer County, Mich. His parents were Alpheus and Patty A. (Chambers) Cady, who, like himself, were born in the Empire State. They followed their son to Michigan one year after his migration and died where they settled, within the present boundaries of Lapeer County. The parents of Mrs. Cady were Homer and Mary (Cheney) Pelton. Her father was born in Connecticut, her mother being a native of the Granite State—New Hampshire. Starting Westward from their New England home, they first settled in New York State, and in 1839 also came out to Lapeer Co., Mich., in the soil of which they are buried. The paternal ancestors of both the subject of our sketch and his beloved wife, followed the ancient and honorable calling presided over by St. Crispin, namely, shoe-making.



Augustus J. Austin, deceased, formerly a resident of Payne's Point, Pine Rock Township, and a pioneer of Ogle County of 1838, was born near Toronto, Canada, in 1810, and was a son of John and Elizabeth Austin. He was a farmer by occupation, and was married Feb. 26, 1835, to Miss Annie Rutledge, daughter of Robert and Mary Rutledge. Mrs. Austin was born in New York, Dec. 4, 1813, and of their union 11 children were born, four sons and seven daughters. The four older ones were born in Canada, the younger at Payne's Point, Ogle County. Their names were: John F., who married Adelia Haselton, and they reside at Aldrich, Wright Co., Iowa, with one child, a son, who has blessed their home circle; Mary A., deceased, was the wife of M. C. Roe, of Grand Junction, and left two sons and

one daughter to mourn her loss; James N. married Mary A. Youngman, of Payne's Point, and they are the parents of one son; Margaret J. is the wife of C. G., Robbins, and resides in Oregon, this county; their family comprised two children, a son and daughter, but the latter is deceased; Catherine L. died July 12, 1876, aged 34 years; Charlotte, wife of Martin Ross, of Chicago; Robert A. married Amanda Ross, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and they have one son and two daughters; William L. married Malissa Ross, their residence being at Aldrich, Iowa, and they are the parents of three children; Eugenia A. is the wife of L. E. Follansbee, of Olympia, Washington Territory, and they are the parents of a daughter; Harriet A. married I. J. Atwood, and resides at Stillman Valley, this State; of this latter union one son was born; Nellie E. is the wife of G. J. Burroughs, who resides at Payne's Point this county.

Mr. Austin and family came to Ogle County in 1838, and settled at Payne's Point, in the Township of Pine Rock, on section 3. Mr. Austin entered 300 acres of Government land at that place, and was engaged in farming until the time of his death, which occurred Sept. 16, 1880.

When Mr. Austin came to this county, he found a dangerous element in the sparsely settled community, known as the "Prairie Pirates," composed of horse-thieves, robbers and murderers. In the interest of law and order, he at once associated himself with a band of reputable settlers known as "Regulators," whose avowed purpose was to protect their homes and property, and to rid the country of the outlaws. His life was often threatened, and once a time was set to take his life, but the ruffians' plans miscarried. He participated in the trial and execution of the Driscolls, as one of 111, and was indicted with his 110 comrades for murder, but was acquitted on trial. (See history of the "Prairie Pirates," elsewhere in this work.)

Mr. Austin was an upright, honorable man, and a good citizen. He was a Whig up to the time of the organization of the Republican party, when he became a member of that organization, and always voted with that party. He and his wife were together members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Austin survives her husband and still resides on the old homestead.